FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

CASH DEPARTMENT

December 30, 1919

NEW COUNTERFEIT \$100 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

TO ALL BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES AND SAVINGS BANKS IN THE SECOND FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT.

DEAR SIRS:

The attention of banking institutions in the Second Federal Reserve District is called to a new counterfeit \$100 Federal Reserve Note described by the United States Secret Service in its Circular No. 439 as follows:

"On the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia, check letter "C;" plate No. 1; W. G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury; John Burke, Treasurer of the United States; portrait of Franklin.

"This is a photographic counterfeit on two pieces of paper, between which silk threads have been distributed. The paper is very brittle—tears easily. Some blue coloring has been applied to the numbers and seal on the face of the note, and green ink or water color on the back, but the original photograph can easily be seen through these colors. The counterfeits all bear number F86203A.

"It is not a deceptive bill."

If any of the above counterfeit Federal Reserve Notes are received by any bank they may, after being properly branded, be returned to the bank or other source from which they are received for inspection, but the nearest United States Secret Service Agent should be notified of the transaction. The Secret Service has headquarters in the Second Federal Reserve District in the Custom House at New York City and in the Post Office Buildings at Utica and Buffalo.

Yours very truly,

BENJ. STRONG,

Governor.